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AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SREP, PFOR, IN, LA

SUBJ: REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE

1. ON SEPTEMBER 9 THE FOLLOWING TWO LAOTIAN NATIONALS CALLED AT THE CONSULATE GENERAL REQUESTING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO CONTINUE THEIR STUDIES IN INDIA, THE UNITED STATES, OR TO RETURN TO LAOS. THEY SAID THAT MONIES WHICH THEY NORMALLY RECEIVED FROM THEIR FAMILIES IN LAOS HAVE BECAUSE OF RECENT CHANGES IN LAOS GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS CEASED TO ARRIVE.

2. THEY ARE:

(A) SISOUNAVONG, HOLDER OF LAOS PASSPORT #330873 ISSUED IN VIENTIANE, LAOS. HE WAS BORN OCTOBER 7, 1949 AT SAVANNAKHET. CLAIMS TO BE AT NALANDA UNIVERSITY, BIHAR, STUDYING ASIAN HISTORY.

(B) PHATTSAVWU LINTHONG, WHO SAYS HE LOST HIS LAOS PASSPORT #1948/74 WHICH WAS ISSUED AT VIENTIANE ON JUNE 26, 1974. SAYS HE WAS BORN JANUARY 4, 1953, AT SAVANNAKHET. CLAIMS TO BE A STUDENT AT BALIRAM BHAGAT COLLEGE, SAMASTIPUR (BIHAR) STUDYING POLITICAL SCIENCE AND PHILOSOPHY.

3. BOTH SISOUNAVONG AND MR. LINTHONG HAVE CONTACTED THE LAOTIAN EMBASSY IN NEW DELHI WHO HAVE TOLD THEM THAT IF THEY HAVE SUFFICIENT FUNDS THEY CAN RETURN TO VIENTIANE BUT THAT

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THEY HAVE NO FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE OR TO SUPPORT THEIR STUDIES.

4. CONSULAR OFFICER ADVISED BOTH SUBJECTS THAT THEY SHOULD AGAIN CONTACT THEIR EMBASSY IN NEW DELHI AND THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA TO ATTEMPT TO SECURE THE NECESSARY FUNDS AND SAID THE USG HAS NO FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE.

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